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FOR: **SOLID-STATE IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS AND FABRICATING METHOD THEREOF**

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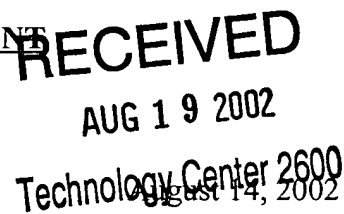
Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of the document is attached.

The Japanese Patent Laid-open Application No. 7-202152 is discussed in the specification of the present application on page 2.

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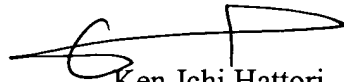


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